REMARKS

Upon entry of the present amendment, the only claim remaining in the application is currently amended claim 21.

Line 10 of claim 21 has been corrected to comply with the typographical error pointed out by the Examiner.

It is respectfully submitted that the original claim 21 as well as the currently amended claim 21 are not anticipated by Lang, based on the reasons set forth hereinbelow.

Random House Webster's Unabridged Dictionary defines the term "toy" as a "plaything". It is respectfully submitted that Lang does not disclose a toy. In contrast, Lang discloses an animated character which is useful for remotely monitoring an area for security purposes, also marketing products or sponsors before an audience, for example, at an amusement park, in a night club or on recorded or live television. See Lang, column 3, lines 60-65.

The foregoing distinction is even made greater by the currently amended claim 21 which specifically calls for a "stuffed animal toy" throughout.

In addition, Lang does not disclose an interactive stuffed animal toy system wherein "said second means includes a transmitter, a transmitter antenna, a receiver, a receiver antenna, and an amplifier, all of which are disposed on a single circuit board and/or in a protective case disposed in the interior of said stuffed animal toy".

In this connection attention is respectfully directed to applicant's specification: page 4, lines 5-7, which state "In accordance with this first preferred embodiment of the present invention, the novel interactive toy system 1 may include any desired toy 2, such as, for example, a stuffed animal"; and page 5, lines 1-2 which state "The electrical components 4-8 of this toy/radio arrangement 2-9

may preferably, but not necessarily, be disposed on a single circuit board and/or in a protective case 23".

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the currently amended claim 21 is not anticipated by Lang.

It is respectfully submitted that the application in now in condition for allowance, and a notice to this effect is earnestly solicited. In the event that the Examiner believes that the application is not in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned attorney for applicant in an effort to facilitate the prosecution, and/or to narrow the issues for appeal, if necessary.

Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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